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25X1 1. A glider airfield, 700 meters long and 500 meters wide, is located north-
25X1 west of Ribnica between the villages of Gorenja Vas and Breg, along the
25X1 Ribnica-Sodrazica highway. The following numbers correspond with those
on the attached map:

1. Hangar for airplanes, 25 by 12 meters, wood and sheet metal construction with a tin roof.
2. Hangar for gliders, 25 by 10 meters, wood and sheet metal construction with a tile roof.
3. Training school for glider pilots, one story stone building 15 by 15 meters.
4. Wooden barracks with tile roof, 10 by 8 meters, for students of the

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25X1 [REDACTED] Six gliders and one airplane are based at the
field. In 1948 a Breguet was used for powered flight training and, later
in the year, an Aereo 2 was brought into service. From time to time,
other aircraft arrived from Ljubljana and remained on the field for a few
days. Gliders based at the field are Zdral and Jastrebov models. In 1949,
tests are to be made on a new Soko glider which is 7 meters long, has a
15 meter wing span, weighs 200 kilograms, has a maximum speed of 250 kilo-
meters per hour, a stalling speed of 60 kilometers per hour, and a wing
loading of 20 kilograms per square meter.*

- 25X1 3. The commander of the Ribnica school during 1948 was Colonel Pavel CRNJANSKI.
The deputy commander was Major Sredoje POJIC, and the head of the ground
school was Lt. Col. Svetopolk PIVKO. Sixty-four students were enrolled for
the course, six of whom were females; eight were Slovenes, and the rest were
Serbs, Croats and Macedonians. The enrolment was expected to increase to
100 students during 1949. Applications for admission are acted upon by the
school staff according to the recommendations of local Communist organiza-

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25X1 Comment: The figures given for "maximum" speed, stalling speed, and wing loading seem unlikely.

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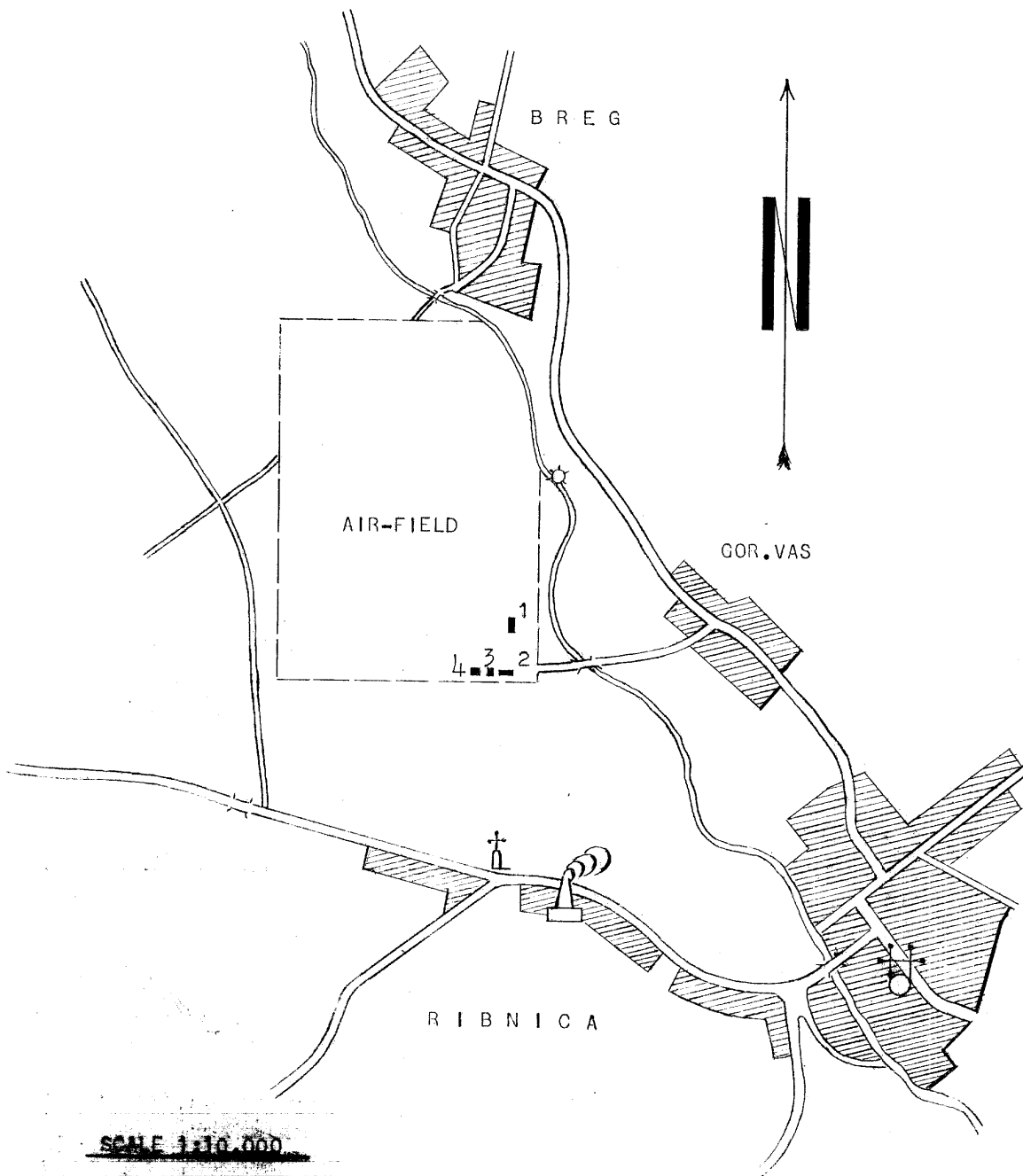
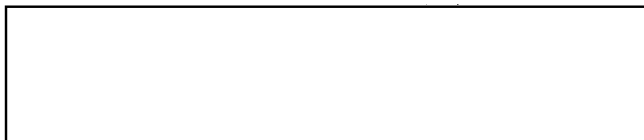
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